

Please amend the paragraph within the specification beginning on page 9, line 1 with the following:

# **ABSTRACT**

~~Digital transmission system for transmitting a digital audio signal being in the form of samples of a specific wordlength and occurring at a specific sampling rate.~~

A digital transmission system is disclosed having a transmitter (11) and a receiver (12) for transmitting and receiving a digital audio signal. The digital audio signal is in the form of samples of a specific wordlength (WL) and occurring at a specific sampling rate. The transmitter comprises \_\_\_\_\_

including an input terminal (25,30,32) for receiving the digital audio signal and for receiving a first information word (IW<sub>1</sub>) having a relationship with the specific wordlength and a second information word (IW<sub>2</sub>) having a relationship with the specific sampling rate. A formatting unit (28) is present for combining the digital audio signal and the first and second information words into a serial datastream suitable for transmission via a transmission medium (TRM, 12). The wordlength (WL) of the samples in the digital audio signal, expressed in number of bits, being equal to n, where n is an integer larger than zero, and the sampling rate is equal to 2<sup>p</sup>.F<sub>s</sub>, where p is an integer larger than zero and F<sub>s</sub> is equal to a frequency value taken from a group of at least two frequency values, said group of frequency values including 44.1 kHz and 48 kHz. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_The receiver comprises a sample rate converter (41) for converting the sampling rate of the signal